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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, which is a division of application Serial No. 09/445,044 filed December 1, 1999, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 8 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this Amendment and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

The Remarks portion begins on page 11 of this Amendment.